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1977 AID REQUEST AND APPROVES GERMAN
COMMITMENT TO THE SPECIAL FUND.

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1. SUMMARY: THE 1977 BUDGET OF THE MINISTRY FOR
ECONOMIC COOPERATION WAS APPROVED BY THE BUNDESTAG
IN FINAL READING ON JUNE 24. IT PROVIDES FOR
DM 3,217 MILLION OF CASH APPROPRIATIONS (UP 7.1
PERCENT OVER 1976) AND FOR DM 6,273 MILLION OF
COMMITMENT AUTHORITY (UP 100.3 PERCENT OVER
1976). TOGETHER WITH APPROPRIATIONS FROM OTHER
MINISTRIES, THE ERP SPECIAL FUND AND STATE BUDGETS,
THE FRG CAN SPEND DM 3.90 BILLION AS ODA IN
1977 FOR FOREIGN AID PURPOSES, COMPARED WITH
DM 3.68 BILLION ALLOTTED IN 1976. END SUMMARY

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2. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF THE FRG
AID BUDGET, THE RESPONSIBLE BUNDESTAG COMMITTEES
INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS OVER THE ORIGINAL
GOVERNMENT AID REQUEST BY DM 45 MILLION AND
AUTHORIZED DM 447 MILLION MORE THAN THE
GOVERNMENT HAD REQUESTED IN AID COMMITMENTS. THE
INCREASE IN APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE FOR CAPITAL

AID (PLUS DM 35 MILLION) AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (PLUS DM 10 MILLION). OF GREATER SIGNIFICANCE ARE THE INCREASES IN COMMITMENT AUTHORITY OF DM 447 MILLION, WHICH ARE BROKEN DOWN AS FOLLOWS: DM 300 MILLION AS THE GERMAN CONTRIBUTION FOR A "ONE-TIME SPECIAL FINANCIAL MEASURE WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CIEC" (THE SPECIAL FUND). THE USE OF THIS AUTHORITY WILL BE SUBJECT TO FURTHER BUDGET COMMITTEE APPROVAL. DM 100 MILLION HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS OF THE GERMAN DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (DEG), DM 35 MILLION FOR ADDITIONAL CAPITAL AID, DM 5 MILLION FOR ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. THE FRG COMMITMENT FOR THE IDA REPLENISHMENT WAS INCREASED BY DM 6.9 MILLION TO DM 2,006.9 MILLION.

3. DETAILS ON THE 1977 FRG FOREIGN AID BUDGET WILL FOLLOW BY AIRGRAM.

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